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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 30, 2008, having a shortened statutory period set to expire on July 30, 2008. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of September 2, 2008 since August 30, 2008 falls on a Saturday. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on **page 12** of this paper.